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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

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Please provide a list of all gender options you list on patient forms.

**The Southern Health and Social Care Trust electronic information system used is known as PARIS. The four gender options available on the PARIS system are, Female, Male, Indeterminate, and Unknown.**

**Directorates do not maintain a list of forms used within each service, nor do they keep a record of the number of genders recorded on individual forms. Therefore, the information is not recorded centrally and retrieving it would involve a manual search of all patient forms. As such we cannot provide this information as the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the “appropriate limit” as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. In order to obtain this information from a number of departments it would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.**

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